

# Office of the Assessor

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Lawrence E. Stone, Assessor

## AGRICULTURAL PRESERVE QUESTIONNAIRE OFFICIAL REQUEST

December 24, 2009  
Re: Williamson Act Survey

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**(PLEASE MAKE NECESSARY CORRECTIONS TO NAME OR ADDRESS)**

Dear Property Owner:

The Assessor is required by law to appraise land restricted by land conservation contract on the basis of current economic rent. In order to appraise land by this method, it is necessary for the Assessor to request current data on income, rentals, expenses and production for the particular type of operation involved. Your prompt cooperation in furnishing the information requested on this form is required. Please respond by April 10, 2010. This official request is made pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code Section 441(d).

If the contract rent involves performance or consideration other than cash rent by either the owner or the renter, please provide the details. If you are an owner operator, give us your best estimate of the rent per acre that you could receive.

Please note that information provided in **Section One is not confidential** and may be shared with other county offices, particularly the Planning Department and the Division of Agriculture. Similarly, any failure to respond to this portion of the Questionnaire may also be shared with other county offices. The information provided in **Section Two of this form will be held in confidence** by the Assessor (Section 451, Revenue and Taxation Code); It can be disclosed only to the District Attorney, grand jury, and other agencies specified in Section 408 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

Any questions or comments which you may have should be directed to Frank Giordano, Senior Appraiser, at (408) 299-5350. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE E. STONE  
County Assessor

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APN: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION ONE:** The following information is **not confidential** and may be shared with other County offices.

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PLEASE ANSWER EACH QUESTION. Where necessary, attach schedules or lists to explain any answer in detail. Additional information may be added in the blank space below.

1. Does the property generate annual revenue from sales of agricultural commodities? ☐ Yes ☐ No
2. If yes, indicate the revenue source: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Do you lease or rent this property to others for the production of agricultural commodities?  
If yes: Name of Tenant: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Telephone \_\_\_\_\_
4. Check the current agricultural use(s) occurring on this property and the acreage of each use.
  - A. ☐ Irrigated field crops \_\_\_\_\_ acres ☐ Dry farming \_\_\_\_\_ acres ☐ Vineyard \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
☐ Irrigated pasture \_\_\_\_\_ acres ☐ Dry grazing \_\_\_\_\_ acres ☐ Nursery \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
☐ Orchard \_\_\_\_\_ acres ☐ Timber \_\_\_\_\_ acres ☐ Poultry \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
☐ Green House/Nursery \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. If livestock production, state type of operation:  
☐ Cow-calf ☐ Stocker-feeder ☐ Sheep ☐ Dairy ☐ Swine ☐ Goats ☐ Poultry  
Other(specify) \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. If grazing, indicate average carrying capacity of property:  
Irrigated Pasture: Acres per Head \_\_\_\_\_ Dry Grazing: Acres per Head \_\_\_\_\_
  - D. For livestock production, state the number of acres fenced and available for grazing: \_\_\_\_\_
5. If the property is less than 10 acres of prime land or less than 40 acres of non-prime land, state the annual revenue generated from sales of agricultural commodities.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Do you hold a current pesticide permit for the agricultural use? ☐ Yes ☐ No
  - A. If yes, under what name is the pesticide permit issued? \_\_\_\_\_
7. How many years has the agricultural operation been conducted on this parcel? \_\_\_\_\_

This official request is made in accordance with Santa Clara County Government Code Section C13-20 and the "Guideline for General Administration, Monitoring and Enforcement of Williamson Act Contracts and Open Space Easements," adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 14, 2006. The above information must be completed in accordance with the instructions and filed with the Assessor of Santa Clara County. Failure to file the above information may result in nonrenewal by the County of Santa Clara of the Williamson Act contract covering the parcel.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of owner or agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

**SECTION TWO: *The following is not a public document. The information contained herein, and any attached schedule, is considered to be confidential by the Assessor as explained on the first page.***

1. Is income derived from any non-farming activity? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please indicate the source:  
☐ Hunting rights ☐ Recreational ☐ Public utilities installation ☐ Quarrying ☐ Riding trails ☐ Other  
(explain): \_\_\_\_\_
2. Were any trees or vines planted or removed between January 1 and December 31, 2009? Yes ☐ No ☐  
If yes explain. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Do you lease or rent all or any portion of this property to others? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If yes, please answer the following for the past crop year.
  - A. Name of Tenant \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Number of net farmable acres rented or leased \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Length of lease: From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
  - D. Is rent based upon: ☐ Crop share, or ☐ Cash amount per acre. If share owners \_\_\_\_%. Fertilizer \$\_\_\_\_\_ Spray \$\_\_\_\_\_
  - E. Total GROSS annual rent to owner for most recent year \$\_\_\_\_\_
  - F. Date this rent went into effect: \_\_\_\_\_
  - G. Does landlord pay the following expenses?

Irrigation Water :	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	\$_____ per acre year
Irrigation District Expense:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	\$_____ per acre year
Pump/Pipeline expense:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Fence/structure expense:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Real Property taxes:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Other (describe) _____		
  - H. Does rent include structural improvements? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, indicate annual rent allocated to the building(s)  
☐ Residence \$\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Dairy \$\_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Other \$\_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Fixed Pump ☐ Permanently installed pipeline ☐ Irrigation System ☐ Vineyard stakes and trellises
4. If structures, pumps, pipelines, etc. were added or removed in calendar year 2009 please indicate item and cost below. \_\_\_\_\_
5. If new land was leveled in calendar year 2009 please indicate # of Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Cost per acre \$\_\_\_\_\_
6. List the actual gross total production per acre for trees and vines and price received for each of the last three years by crop and varieties.

Please complete this form for three (3) years. If you supplied this information last year, you may complete the most recent year only.

			2007			2008			2009		
CROP	VARIETY	YEAR PLANTED	NO. ACRES	PRODUCTION	PRICE	NO. ACRES	PRODUCTION	PRICE	NO. ACRES	PRODUCTION	PRICE

8. If orchard or vineyard is rented or leased, please indicate type of agreement: ☐ Crop Share ☐ Cash rent
  - A. If crop share, indicate owner %: \_\_\_\_\_% Owner share of fertilizer: \$\_\_\_\_\_
  - Owner share of spray materials: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. If cash rent, indicate \$\_\_\_\_\_ per acre
9. Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

This official request is made in accordance with Section 441(d), of the Revenue and Taxation Code. This statement must be completed according to the instructions and filed with the Assessor of Santa Clara County. Failure to file this statement will result in the Assessor estimating the value of your property based on information in his possession pursuant to Section 501 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

I certify that the above statements are true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of owner or agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number